

THE EMBODIMENTS OF THE INVENTION IN WHICH AN EXCLUSIVE PROPERTY OR PRIVILEGE IS CLAIMED ARE DEFINED AS FOLLOWS:

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if the pressure in the bladder in which it is in communication falls below a preselected level.

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7. The dike section as defined in claim 1 used to form a dike.
 8. The dike section as defined in claim 1 wherein the bladders are filled with a liquid.
 9. The dike section as defined in claim 1 including at least one additional bladder, the first elongate bladder, the second elongate bladder and the at least one additional bladder arranged in a pyramidal configuration including a base layer of bladders and a second layer of bladders positioned on the base layer of bladders.
 10. The dike section as defined in claim 9 wherein the first elongate bladder, the second elongate bladder and the at least one additional bladder are secured together.
 11. The dike section as defined in claim 1 wherein the first elongate bladder comprises a tube closed at its ends and having a side wall and a long axis extending between the ends; a membrane extending across the interior of the tube parallel with the long axis thereof and at least one port for access to the interior of the bladder.
 12. The dike section as defined in claim 11 wherein the membrane is solid.
 13. The dike section as defined in claim 11 wherein the membrane is perforated.
 14. The dike section as defined in claim 1 wherein the first elongate bladder comprises a tube closed at its ends and having a side wall and a long axis

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15. extending between the ends, at least one end of the bladder being folded back a selected distance over the bladder; an end reinforcing sleeve for securing the end in folded configuration against the bladder and at least one port for access to the interior of the bladder.

5 15. The dike section as defined in claim 1 wherein the dike section includes a containment side against which liquid to be contained bears, the dike section further comprising a substantially liquid-tight sheet of material extending over the dike from a position beneath the dike section to cover the containment side to a position above the liquid to be contained.


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16. The dike section as defined in claim 1 wherein the dike section includes a containment side against which liquid to be contained bears and the dike section further comprises a substantially liquid-tight sheet of material positioned against the containment side and extending out away from the dike section over a ground surface on which the dike section is positioned.

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17. An elongate dike bladder comprising: a tube closed at its ends and having a wall and a long axis between the ends, the tube formed to be flexible and water-tight; and at least one port for access to the interior of the bladder.

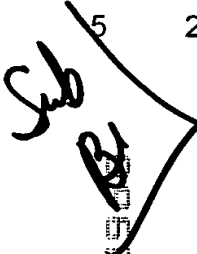
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18. The elongate dike bladder of claim 17 wherein an end of the bladder is folded back a selected distance over the bladder and the bladder further comprises an end reinforcing sleeve for securing the end in folded configuration against the bladder.

19. The elongate dike bladder of claim 17 further comprising a membrane extending across the interior of the tube parallel with the long axis thereof.

20. The elongate dike bladder of claim 19 wherein the membrane is solid.

 21. The elongate dike bladder of claim 19 ~~wherein the membrane is perforated.~~

22. The elongate dike bladder of claim 17 ~~further comprising a pressure release valve in a wall.~~

 23. The elongate dike bladder of claim 17 wherein a pressure monitoring means is positioned in communication with the interior of the bladder, the pressure monitoring means being selected to emit a signal if the pressure in the bladder falls below a preselected level.

24. The elongate dike bladder of claim 17 used to form a dike.

 25. The elongate dike bladder of claim 17 filled with a liquid.